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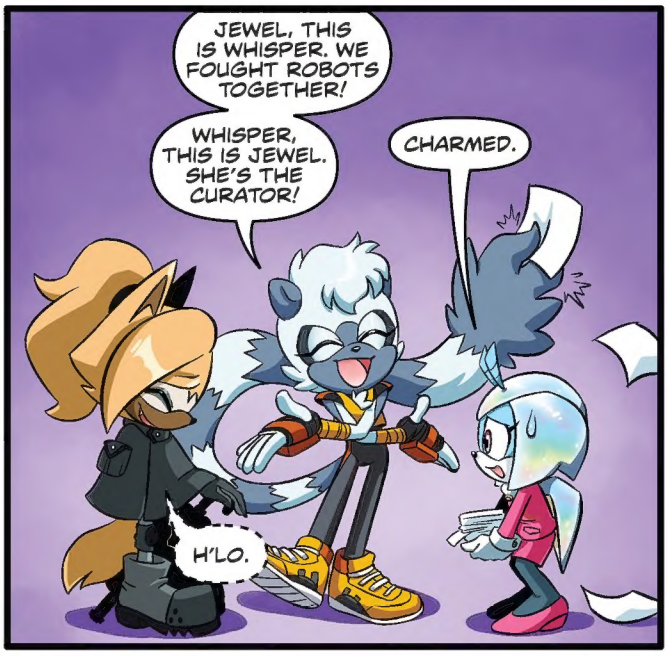
SPIRAL HILL VILLAGE.
WOO-HOO! YOU CAME! YOU REALLY CAME!
H'LO.
BONDS OF FRIENDSHIP
IT FEELS LIKE FOREVER SINCE OUR LAST ADVENTURE!
IT'S SO COOL TO HAVE FRIENDS COME TO VISIT! AND WHEN THE TOWN ISN'T BEING BOMBARDED, EVEN!
WHOOPS! RIGHT. BOUNDARIES. MY BAD.

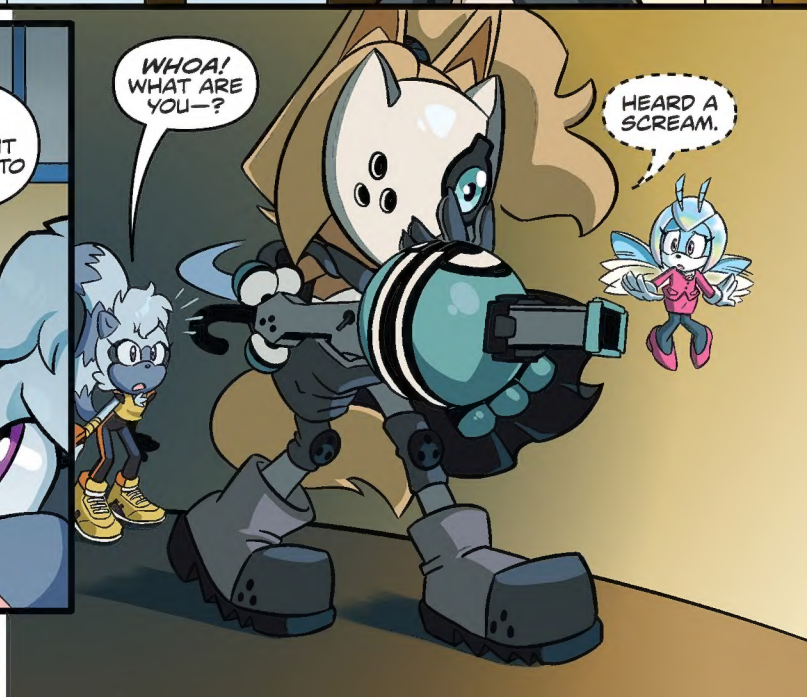
LEMME GIVE YOU A TOUR! THIS IS THE BAKERY! IT'S A MUST FOR EVERY BREAKFAST!
THE SALON! I BASICALLY KEEP THEM IN BUSINESS BUYING THEIR BRUSHES. I TEAR THROUGH THEM TRYING TO KEEP MY TAIL NEAT.
THERE'S A MILLION MORE STOPS, BUT I CAN'T WAIT TO SHOW YOU THE MINERAL MUSEUM RUN BY MY BESTEST FRIEND!
HEY JEWEL! I BROUGHT A GUEST!


JEWEL, THIS IS WHISPER. WE FOUGHT ROBOTS TOGETHER!
WHISPER, THIS IS JEWEL. SHE'S THE CURATOR!
CHARMED.
H'LO.

WE GREW UP TOGETHER!
ONLY BECAUSE I WAS LOOKING OUT FOR YOU. YOU'RE THE ANTITHESIS OF "LOOK BEFORE YOU LEAP."
TRUE!

WE AMASSED QUITE A COLLECTION OVER THE YEARS. TANGLE, LOOKING FOR ADVENTURE, AND ME, MAKING SURE SHE CAME BACK ALIVE.
EVENTUALLY, I PUT TOGETHER THIS MUSEUM.
IT'S BEAUTIFUL.

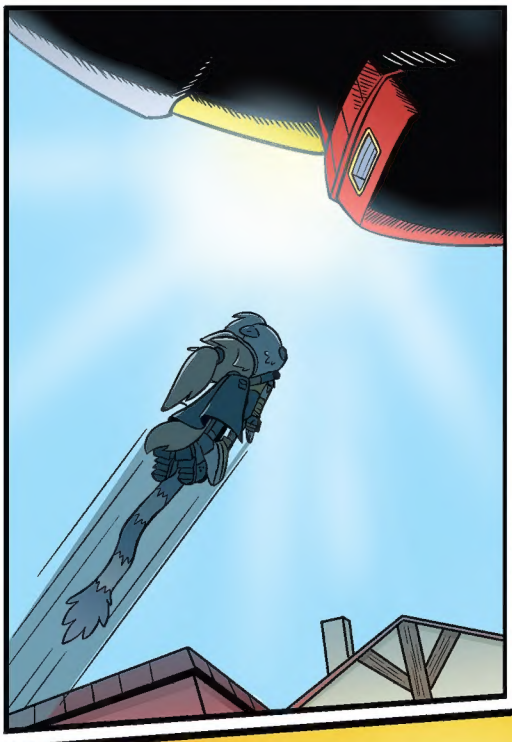
AW, WHERE'D THE SUN GO? I DIDN'T THINK IT WAS SUPPOSED TO RAIN TODAY...


WHOA! WHAT ARE YOU—?
HEARD A SCREAM.

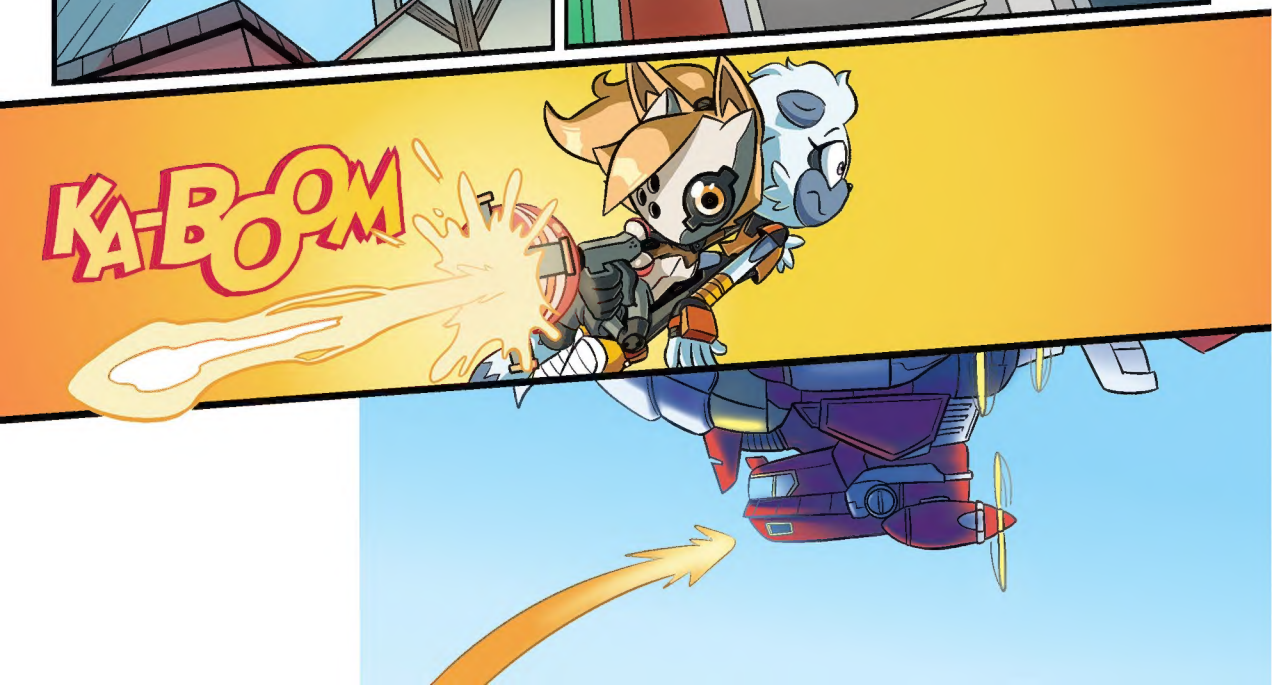
WHOOSH
WAVE! YOU TAKE THE TOP FLOOR! STORM! SMASH AND GRAB! I GOT THE GROUND FLOOR!
SURE THING, JET!
YOU GOT IT, BOSS!

HUH? OH, WOW!
WHAT IN THE WORLD—?
WAIT'LL THE BOSS SEES YOU!
JEWEL!
TOO EASY! BABYLON ROGUES— BACK TO THE BLIMP!
HA HA HA HA HA

THEY TOOK JEWEL! THEY TOOK JEWEL!
LAUNCH US!



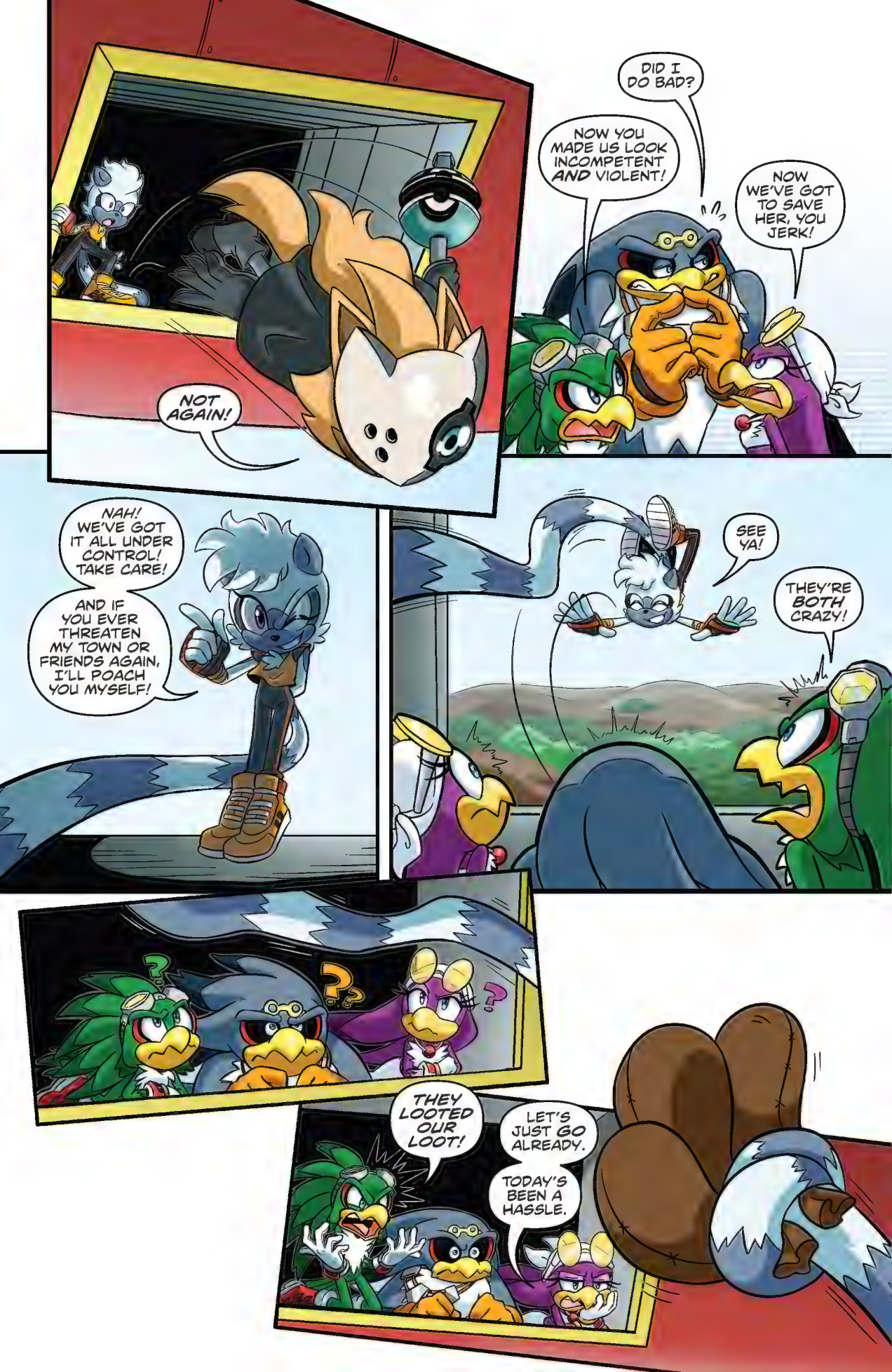
NO! WE'RE LOSING MOMENTUM!
BRACE YOURSELF.


KA-BOOM

WHAT A HAUL! WHO KNEW SOME PODUNK BACKWATER WOULD BE SWIMMING IN SO MUCH TREASURE!
WHATEVER. AS LONG AS IT KEEPS MY GEAR IN TOP SHAPE.
BOSS! BOSS! I DID REAL GOOD!
YOU EVER SEEN A JEWEL THIS BIG?
P-P-PLEASE LET ME GO...?
STORM, YOU MORON! YOU KIDNAPPED SOMEBODY!
THAT'S MY BESTEST FRIEND! LET HER GO OR I START BUSTIN' BEAKS!
NOT JUST ANYBODY!
IS THAT SO? WELL, TOO BAD! FINDERS KEEPERS! YOU WANT HER BACK SO MUCH, THEN HOW ABOUT WE RACE FOR HER?

JET! ARE YOU OUT OF YOUR MIND?! WE'RE THIEVES, NOT KIDNAPPERS! JUST LET HER GO!
BACK OFF, WAVE! STORM MADE US LOOK INCOMPETENT! WE HAVE TO SAVE FACE!
BUT... WOULDN'T A TALKIN' GEM BE WORTH MORE?
I'M A BEETLE.
I'M THE LEADER! I CALL THE SHOTS!
AND I'M TELLING YOU YOU'RE OFF-TARGET!
YOU'RE A TARGET!
WHAT DOES THAT EVEN MEAN?!

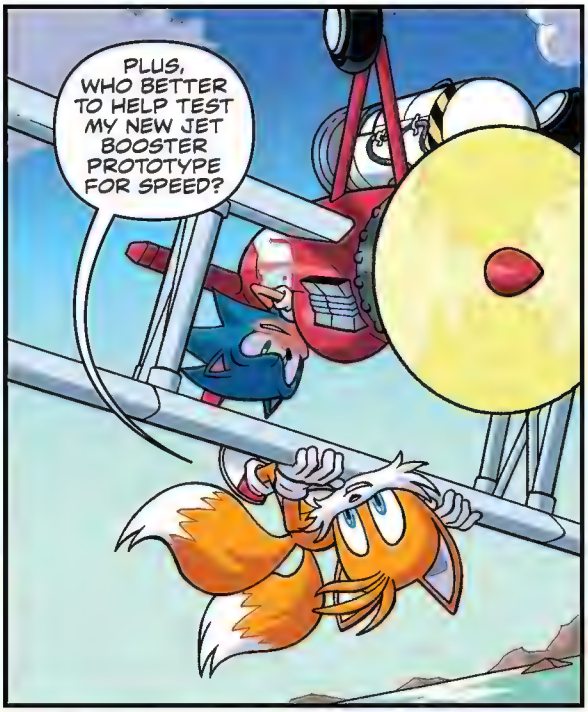
IF YOU'RE SO WORRIED ABOUT SAVING FACE, THEN WHY ARE YOU SPENDING TIME BICKERING IN FRONT OF THE—!
RRRRGH—FINE! JUST TOSS 'EM OUT!
WHATEVER YOU SAY, BOSS.
THANK GOODNESS. I WAS AFRAID THIS WAS GOING TO GET VIOLENT.
AAAAHHH!
NOT LIKE THAT!
AAAHH-OW!


NOT AGAIN!
DID I DO BAD?
NOW YOU MADE US LOOK INCOMPETENT AND VIOLENT!
NOW WE'VE GOT TO SAVE HER, YOU JERK!
NAH! WE'VE GOT IT ALL UNDER CONTROL! TAKE CARE!
AND IF YOU EVER THREATEN MY TOWN OR FRIENDS AGAIN, I'LL POACH YOU MYSELF!
SEE YA!
THEY'RE BOTH CRAZY!
THEY LOOTED OUR LOOT!
LET'S JUST GO ALREADY.
TODAY'S BEEN A HASSLE.

SORRY! BOUNDARIES— I KNOW! BUT I'M ASSUMING YOU'VE GOT A PLAN SO WE DON'T GO SPLAT!

LATER...
I CANNOT THANK YOU ALL ENOUGH...
NOT ONLY DID YOU SAVE MY LIFE, BUT MY LIVELIHOOD.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO THANK ME, YOU GOOBER! WHAT ARE FRIENDS FOR, RIGHT?
BUT I DO NEED TO THANK YOU, WHISPER.
WHAT ARE FRIENDS FOR, RIGHT?
THE END.

VRRRRRROW
WAHOO! BARREL ROLLIN'!
HEH!
I MEAN, IT'S MORE OF AN AILERON ROLL, BUT CLOSE ENOUGH...
JET SET TORNADO



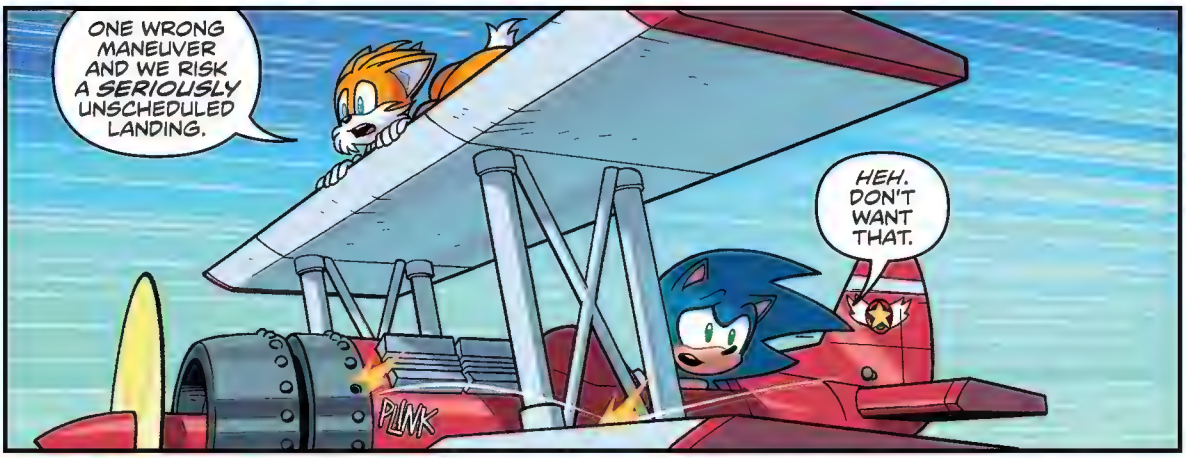
"BUT REMEMBER, THIS BOOSTER IS SUPER POWERFUL.

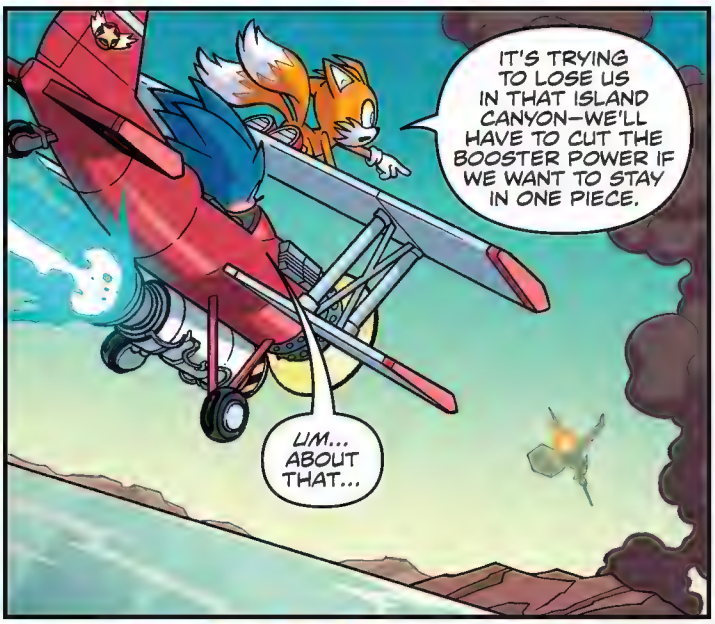
"WE'LL TAKE IT EASY AND DO A FEW STRAIGHTAWAYS AND CALL IT A DAY.

"WE DON'T WANT TO PUT THE TORNADO UNDER TOO MUCH STRESS."

WHOA! THAT BADNIK CAME OUT OF NOWHERE! DIDN'T EVEN SHOW UP ON RADAR!
THAT ARMOR AND THOSE SPEEDS... IT'S SOME KIND OF STEALTH BALKIRY!
RESISTANCE SUPPLIES! IT MUST'VE RAIDED THE NEARBY STOREHOUSE FOR FUEL CELLS!
CAN'T HAVE THAT, CAN WE?
BUT WE'LL NEVER CATCH UP UNLESS—
WAY AHEAD OF YOU, PAL!
HOLD ON, LET ME—
BOOT

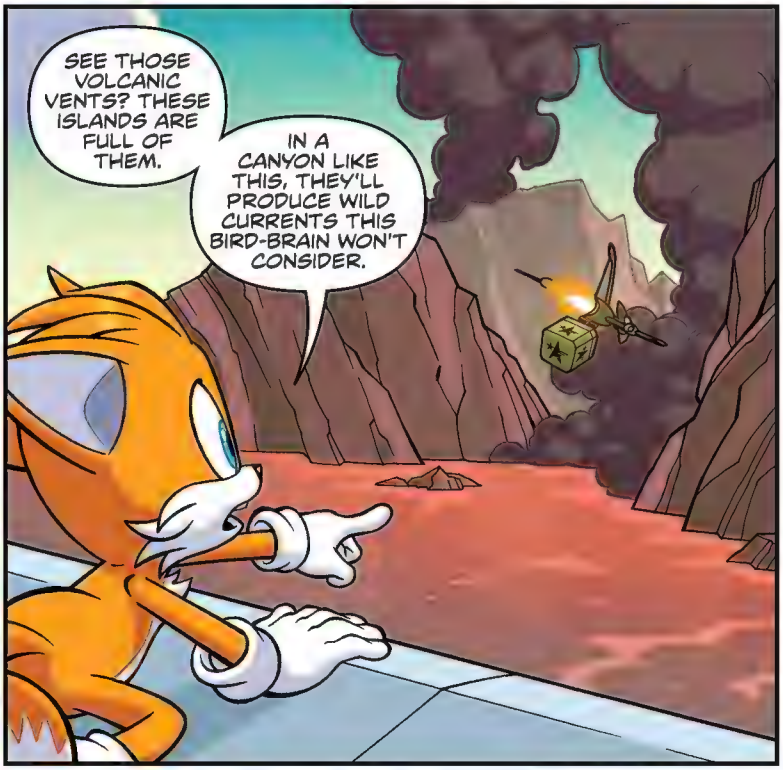
WAHOO!
BWOOSH
AH, AND I'D JUST CALIBRATED THOSE...
WELP! BOOSTER WORKS!
SOMETIMES ENGINEERING BRAINS... ARE A BURDEN.
EASY SONIC, THE BOOSTER'S DESIGNED FOR STRAIGHTAWAYS! NOT DIVES!
WHAT? I CAN'T HEAR YOU OVER THE WINGS CREAKING!
CREEEEK

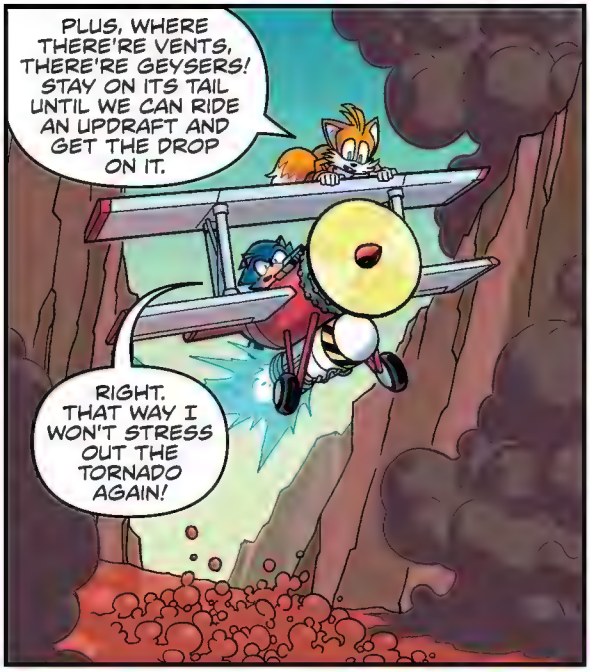

ONE WRONG MANEUVER AND WE RISK A SERIOUSLY UNSCHEDULED LANDING.
HEH. DON'T WANT THAT.
PLINK


IT'S TRYING TO LOSE US IN THAT ISLAND CANYON—WE'LL HAVE TO CUT THE BOOSTER POWER IF WE WANT TO STAY IN ONE PIECE.
UM... ABOUT THAT...

I... MAY HAVE SMASHED THE BUTTON A LITTLE TOO ENTHUSIASTICALLY...
I'LL ADD THAT TO MY LIST OF SCHEDULED UPGRADES...

BUT NO PROBLEM! WE'LL JUST HAVE TO THINK EVEN FASTER THAN WE FLY!
HECK YEAH!


SEE THOSE VOLCANIC VENTS? THESE ISLANDS ARE FULL OF THEM.
IN A CANYON LIKE THIS, THEY'LL PRODUCE WILD CURRENTS THIS BIRD-BRAIN WON'T CONSIDER.

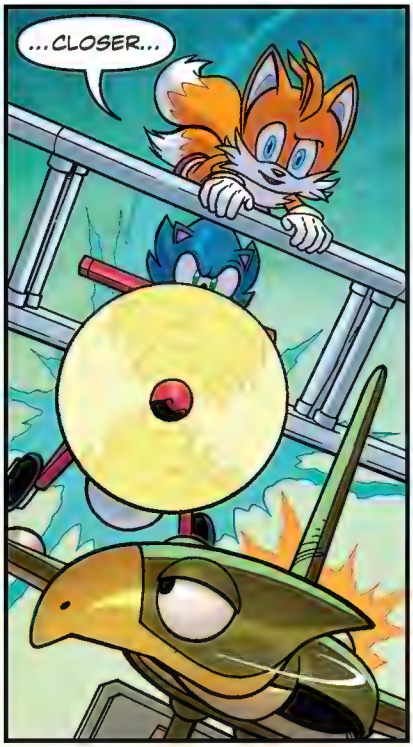

PLUS, WHERE THERE'RE VENTS, THERE'RE GEYSERS! STAY ON ITS TAIL UNTIL WE CAN RIDE AN UPDRAFT AND GET THE DROP ON IT.
RIGHT. THAT WAY I WON'T STRESS OUT THE TORNADO AGAIN!

ON MY SIGNAL, PULL UP—GENTLY—UNTIL WE'RE IN POSITION TO DROP OUR PAYLOAD.

YOU DON'T MEAN—

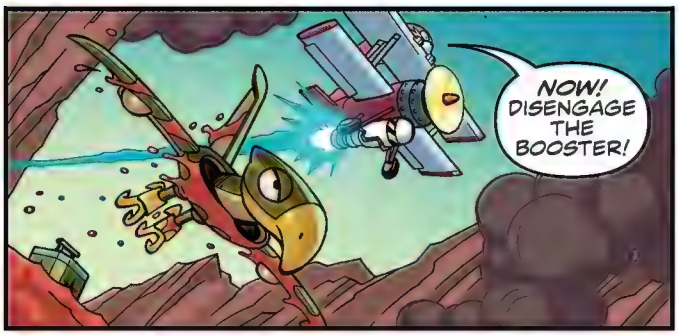
SIGH: YEAH, BUT I CAN ALWAYS BUILD ANOTHER ONE.

CLOSER...


...CLOSER...

NOW!

SPHOOSH

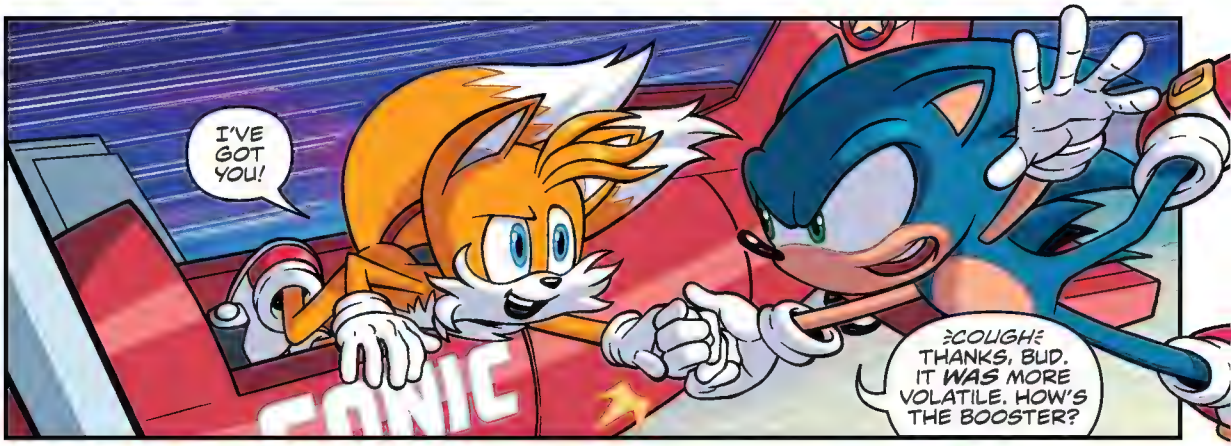

NOW! DISENGAGE THE BOOSTER!

SORRY, PAL. I CAN'T LET YOUR HARD WORK GO TO WASTE JUST BECAUSE I COULDN'T RESIST SOME STUNT PILOT SHENANIGANS.

CAREFUL! IT COULD BE MORE VOLATILE THAN A STANDARD BALKIRY!
SHOOSH

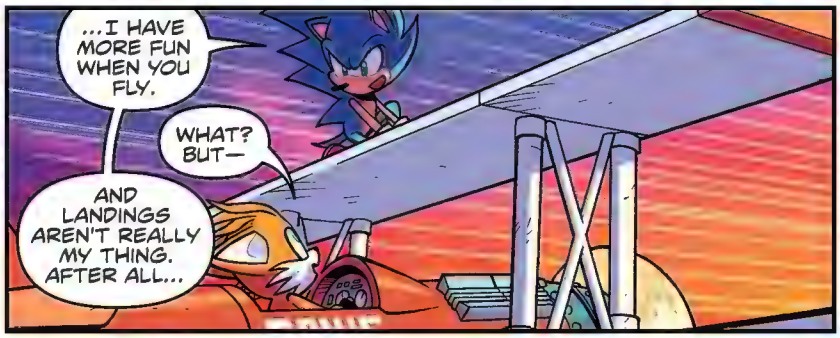
VWREER
!!!

D-DOOM


I'VE GOT YOU!
SONIC
:COUGH: THANKS, BUD. IT WAS MORE VOLATILE. HOW'S THE BOOSTER?

WELL, WE'LL HAVE TO KEEP FLYING UNTIL IT RUNS OUT OF FUEL, BUT THIS TEST PROVED IT'S CAPABLE.
ALL THAT'S LEFT TO DO IS RADIO THE RESISTANCE TO RECOVER THE CRATE AND STICK OUR LANDING.

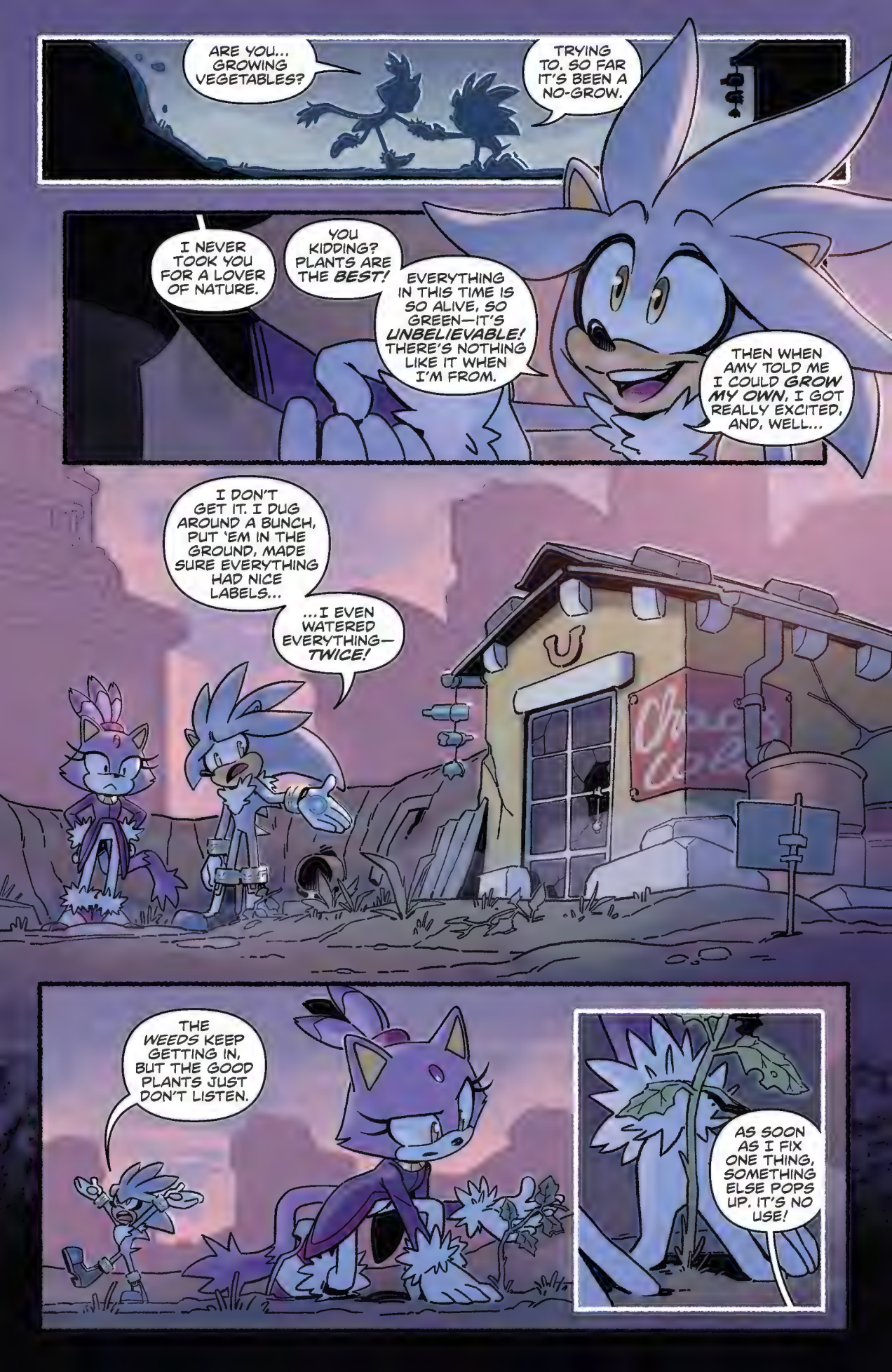
YOU WANT BACK AT THE CONTROLS? YOU SEEM TO HAVE LEARNED YOUR PILOTING LESSON.
I WOULD, IT'S JUST...


...I HAVE MORE FUN WHEN YOU FLY.
WHAT? BUT—
AND LANDINGS AREN'T REALLY MY THING. AFTER ALL...

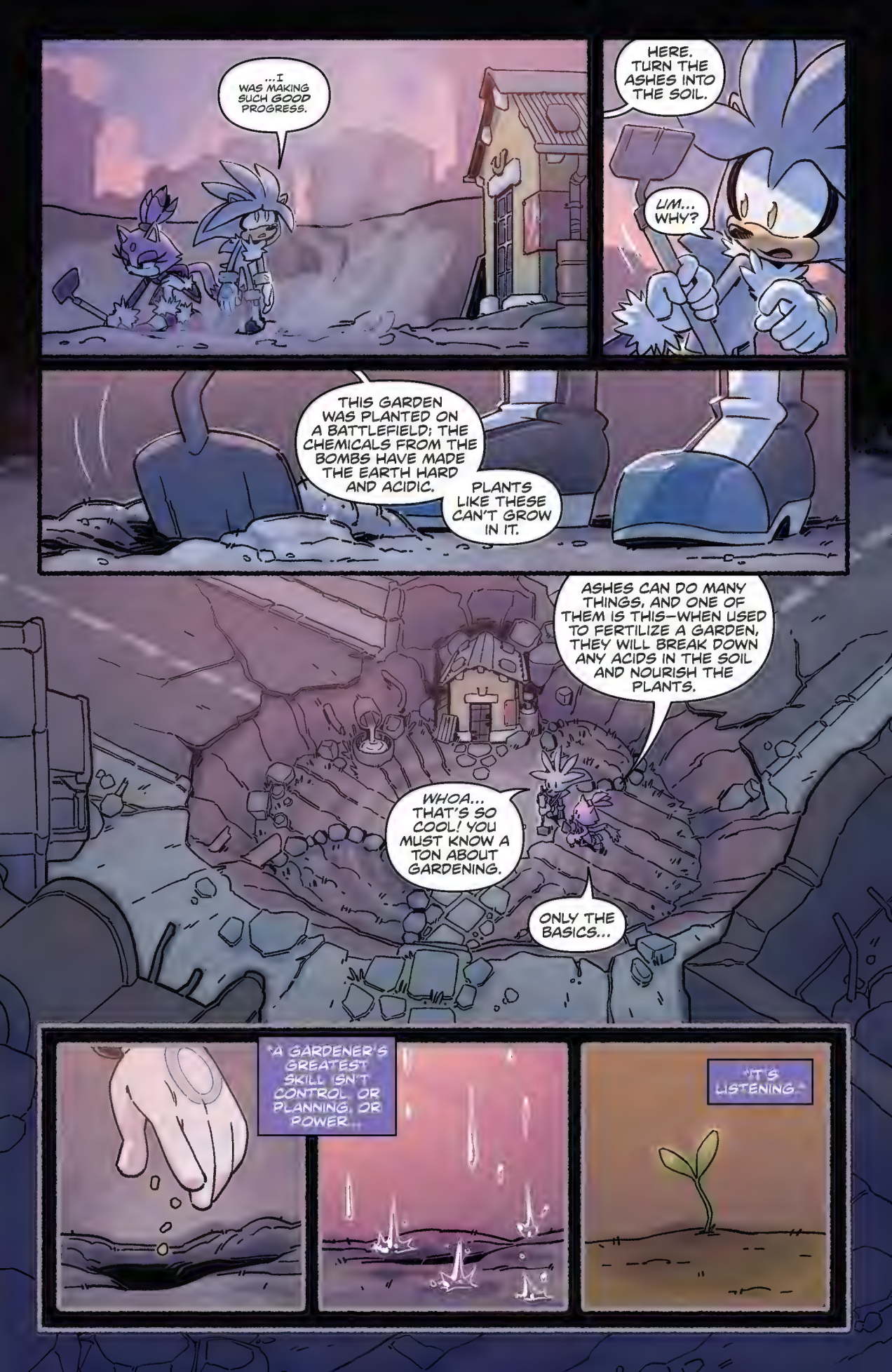
...YOU GOTTA GO SLOW.
THE END.

VICTORY GARDEN
HELLO? SILVER?
AMY SAID I MIGHT FIND YOU OUT HERE, THOUGH SHE WOULDN'T TELL ME WHAT YOU MIGHT BE DOING.
OR WHAT I MIGHT BE DOING...
B-BLAZE?! OH GEEZ...
AH, THERE YOU ARE!
I'M DEFINITELY NOT HERE! BETTER GO BACK INSIDE AND—
KRAK SMASH
SILVER! I'M ON MY—

—WAY?
GYEEP!
WAIT! I GOT THIS! I'M...
...HOSED.


ARE YOU... GROWING VEGETABLES?
TRYING TO. SO FAR IT'S BEEN A NO-GROW.
I NEVER TOOK YOU FOR A LOVER OF NATURE.
YOU KIDDING? PLANTS ARE THE BEST!
EVERYTHING IN THIS TIME IS SO ALIVE, SO GREEN—IT'S UNBELIEVABLE! THERE'S NOTHING LIKE IT WHEN I'M FROM.
THEN WHEN AMY TOLD ME I COULD GROW MY OWN, I GOT REALLY EXCITED, AND, WELL...
I DON'T GET IT. I DUG AROUND A BUNCH, PUT 'EM IN THE GROUND, MADE SURE EVERYTHING HAD NICE LABELS...
...I EVEN WATERED EVERYTHING—TWICE!
THE WEEDS KEEP GETTING IN, BUT THE GOOD PLANTS JUST DON'T LISTEN.
AS SOON AS I FIX ONE THING, SOMETHING ELSE POPS UP. IT'S NO USE!

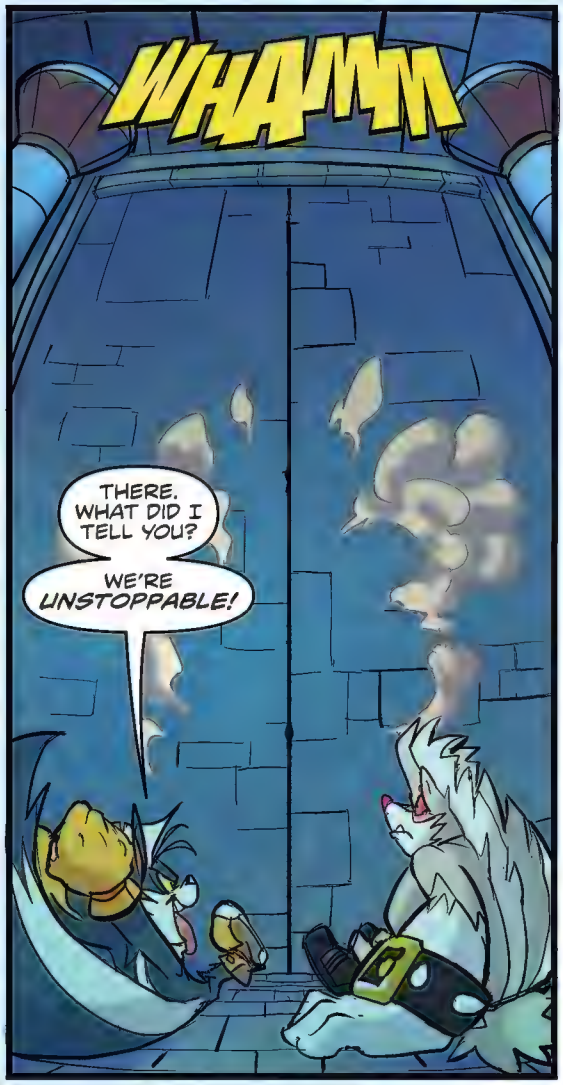
DO YOU MIND IF I TRY SOMETHING?
PLEASE, ANYTHING.
AUGH! NOT THAT, DON'T DO THAT—
SILVER... TRUST ME.
B-BUT—
—OKAY.


...I WAS MAKING SUCH GOOD PROGRESS.
HERE. TURN THE ASHES INTO THE SOIL.
UM... WHY?
THIS GARDEN WAS PLANTED ON A BATTLEFIELD; THE CHEMICALS FROM THE BOMBS HAVE MADE THE EARTH HARD AND ACIDIC.
PLANTS LIKE THESE CAN'T GROW IN IT.
ASHES CAN DO MANY THINGS, AND ONE OF THEM IS THIS—WHEN USED TO FERTILIZE A GARDEN, THEY WILL BREAK DOWN ANY ACIDS IN THE SOIL AND NOURISH THE PLANTS.
WHOA... THAT'S SO COOL! YOU MUST KNOW A TON ABOUT GARDENING.
ONLY THE BASICS...
"A GARDENER'S GREATEST SKILL ISN'T CONTROL OR PLANNING, OR POWER...
"IT'S LISTENING."

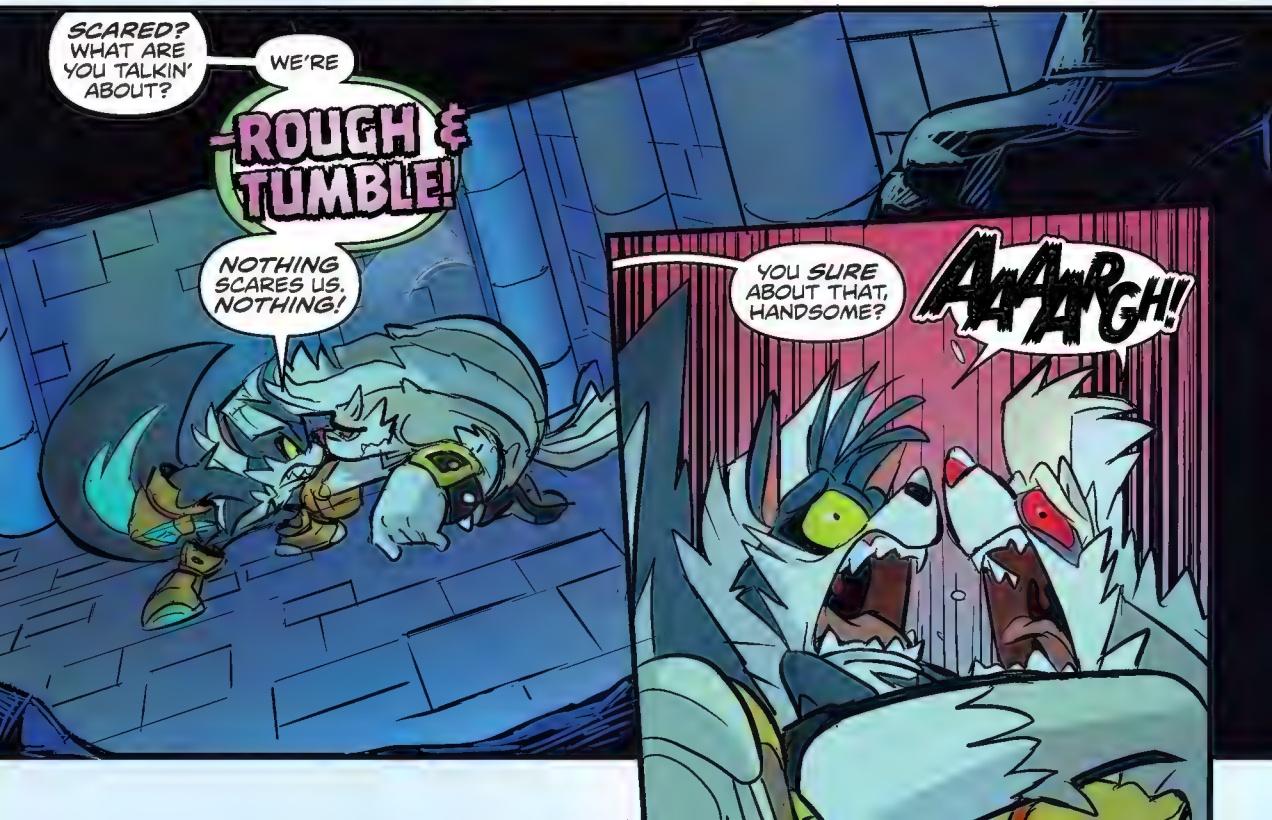
"THE PLANTS KNOW EXACTLY WHAT TO DO, AND WILL TELL YOU WHAT THEY NEED TO DO IT.
"ALL YOU MUST DO IS LISTEN...
"...AND PROVIDE."
THE END.

THE DUSTY DESERT.
THIS IS IT, TUMBLE. WE'VE FINALLY FOUND IT—
THE LOST PYRAMID OF DR. EGGMAN.
I-I'M STILL NOT SURE THIS IS A GOOD IDEA, ROUGH.
I MEAN—WHAT IF EGG-FACE ABANDONED IT FOR A REASON?
CURSE OF THE PYRAMID
YOU NEED TO SKUNK UP!
JUST IMAGINE ALL THE LOVELY LOOT STASHED IN THIS THING. ROBOTS... WEAPONS... AND IT'S OURS. ALL OURS!

SEE? THAT CRAZY OLD TYRANT EVEN LEFT THE LIGHTS ON! IT'S LIKE HE WANTED US TO RAID THE PLACE!
I'M TELLIN' YOU, THERE AIN'T NOTHING TO BE SCARED OF. NOTHING AT ALL!
KLKK
NOTHING TO BE SCARED OF?!
THEN WHY ARE THE WALLS MOVING, ROUGH? WE'RE GONNA GET CRUSHED!
RUUMMMBLE
FIRST RULE OF TOMB RAIDING...
...YOU GOTTA KEEP MOVIN'!
LET'S ROLL!
FASSH

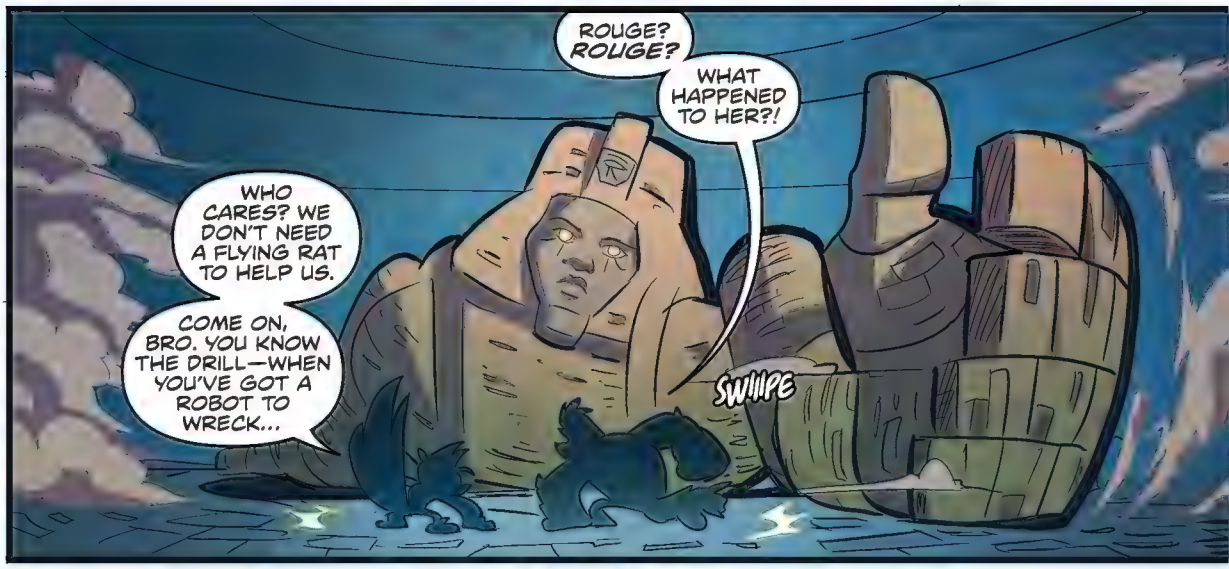

WHAMM
THERE. WHAT DID I TELL YOU?
WE'RE UNSTOPPABLE!

YEAH, B-BUT WHAT ABOUT ALL THE LEGENDS? THEY SAY THIS PLACE IS CURSED!
I'M S-SCARED, ROUGH. REAL SCARED.


SCARED? WHAT ARE YOU TALKIN' ABOUT?
WE'RE ROUGH & TUMBLE!
NOTHING SCARES US. NOTHING!
YOU SURE ABOUT THAT, HANDSOME?
AAARGH!

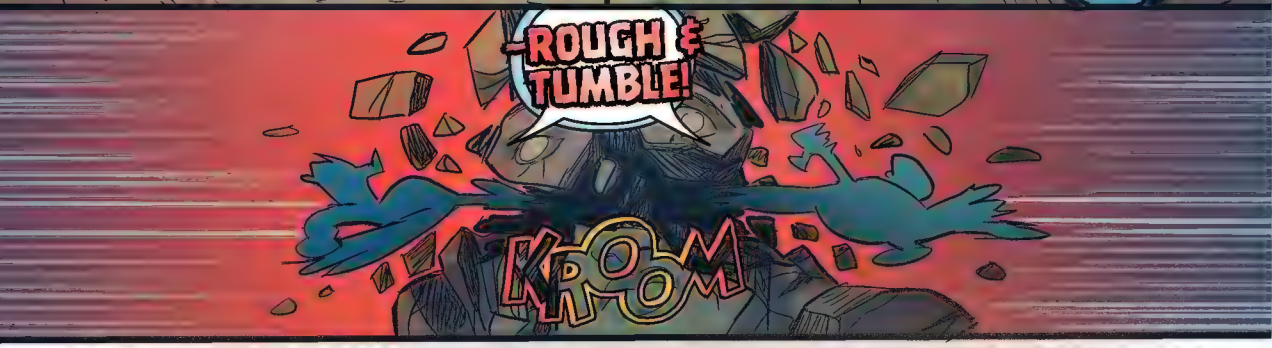
YEAH. YOU'RE REAL BRAVE.
ROUGE THE BAT?
SHOULD'VE KNOWN ONE OF YOU PESKY DO-GOODERS WOULD TRY TO STOP US!
STOP YOU?
SORRY TO BURST YOUR BUBBLE, BOYS, BUT I'M ONLY HERE FOR EGG-HEAD'S TREASURE.
I'VE HEARD THIS PLACE IS PACKED WITH ALL KINDS OF SHINY STUFF.
ENOUGH TO LAST A LIFETIME!
SO MUCH FOR BEING A HERO. YOU'RE NOTHING MORE THAN A NO-GOOD, LOUSY THIEF!
NO, BRO...
UM, ROUGH... AREN'T WE NO-GOOD, LOUSY THIEVES?
...WE'RE NO-GOOD, STINKING THIEVES!
THERE'S A DIFFERENCE!
SEE YOU AROUND, SISTER! MAY THE BEST TOMB RAIDERS WIN!
THAT'S US... RIGHT, ROUGH?
JUST SHUT UP AND RUN, TUMBLE. SHUT UP AND RUN.
KOFF KOFF
AND I THOUGHT EGGMAN SMELLED BAD!
CAN'T LET THOSE SKUNK PUNKS GET THEIR PAWS ON MY...

...TREASURE.
OH, NO.
HEY, LADY. GOT ANY IDEA WHAT THIS THING IS?
IT'S TROUBLE, THAT'S WHAT IT IS.
WHAT DID I SAY ABOUT THE CURSE?
THOOM
LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE FOUND YOURSELF AN EGG-GOLEM, BOYS.
TRUST EGGMAN TO LEAVE ONE LAST SURPRISE.
BUT DON'T GET YOUR TAILS IN A TWIST—WE JUST NEED TO LISTEN FOR THE REMOTE.
BEEP BEEP
AND THERE IT—
SWISH
GASP


ROUGE? ROUGE?
WHAT HAPPENED TO HER?!
WHO CARES? WE DON'T NEED A FLYING RAT TO HELP US.
COME ON, BRO. YOU KNOW THE DRILL—WHEN YOU'VE GOT A ROBOT TO WRECK...
SWIIPE

...DON'T JUST MOAN AND GRUMBLE...

...CALL THE TOUGHEST SCRAPPERS AROUND—


—ROUGH & TUMBLE!
KROOM

HA! YOU WERE RIGHT...
NOTHING CAN STOP US!
AND BEST OF ALL... THE SECRETS OF THE PYRAMID ARE OURS... AND OURS ALONE!

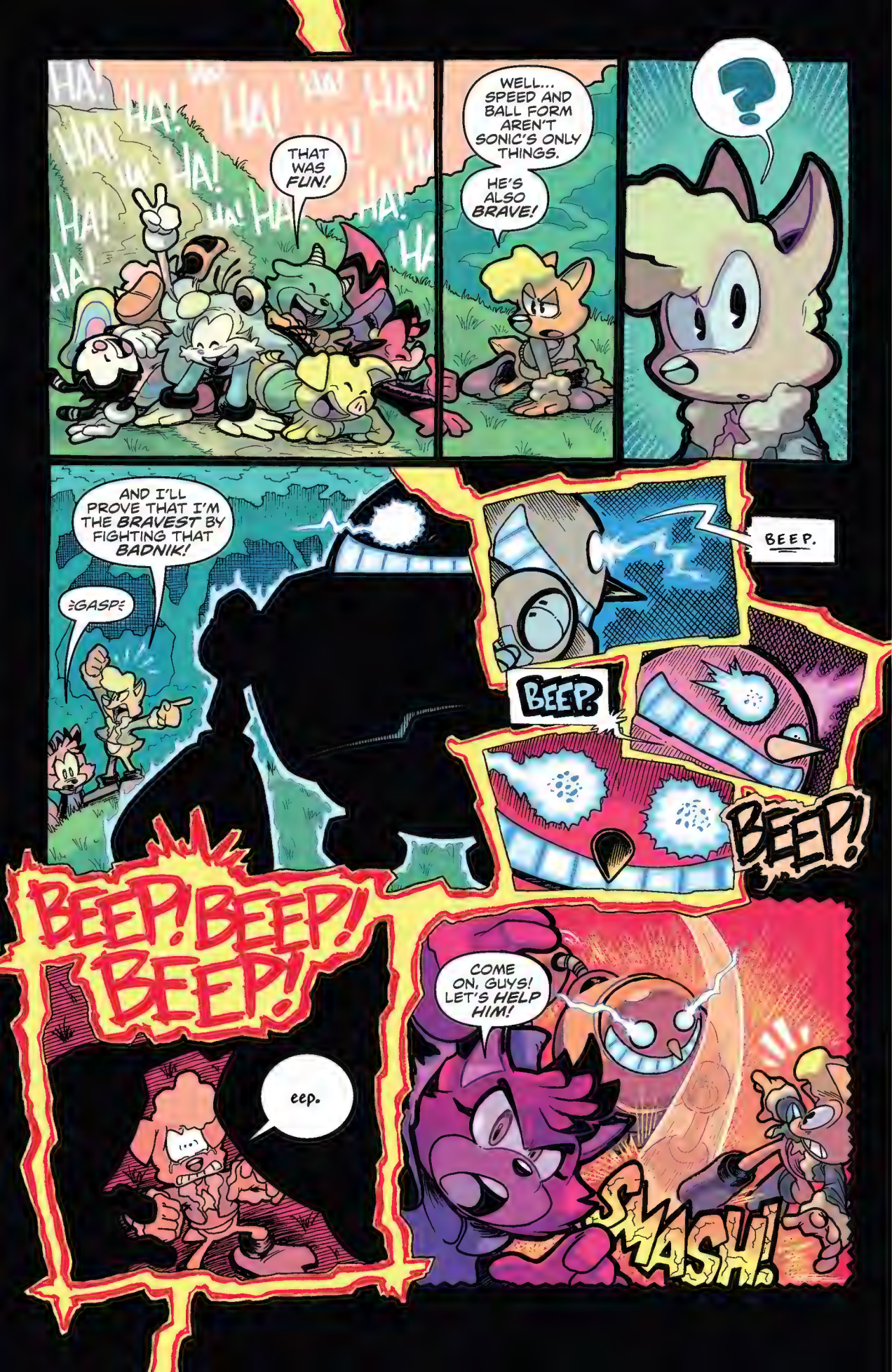
ALLOOOONE...
NOW WHAT?
ROUGE? WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU?!
THE BANDAGES... DON'T LET THE BANDAGES TOUCH YOU...
OR YOU WILL BE DOOMED... LIKE ME...
...DOOMED FOR ALL ETERNITY...
WAAH! THE BANDAGES! GET 'EM OFF ME!
GET 'EM OFF!
ROUGH—I THOUGHT YOU SAID NOTHING SCARED US?
ARE YOU K-KIDDIN' ME?! WE GOTTA GET OUTTA HERE!
THIS PLACE IS CURSED, I TELL YOU! CURSED!

...CURSED...
HA-HA-HA!
THEY FELL FOR IT. HOOK, LINE, AND STINKER.
A-ARE YOU S-SURE THEY'RE GONE, ROUGE?
THEY WON'T BE BACK. THIS OLD SHREDDED CURTAIN WORKED LIKE A CHARM. YOU'RE SAFE... AND SO IS YOUR HOME.
OH, THANK YOU. WE'VE BEEN SO HAPPY HERE SINCE DR. EGGMAN ABANDONED THE BASE.
WELL, I DON'T THINK YOU'LL NEED YOUR BOOBY TRAPS ANY MORE. NO ONE WILL COME ANYWHERE NEAR THIS PLACE—NOT AFTER SCRUFF & BUMBLE TELL THEM IT'S CURSED!
NOT EVEN TOMB RAIDERS SEARCHING FOR EGGMAN'S TREASURE?
AH... YES... LOOK, ABOUT THAT...
WE'RE ONLY TEASING. WHY DON'T YOU HELP YOURSELF?
JUST DON'T TELL ANYONE WHERE YOU FOUND IT, OKAY?
YOU GUYS ARE THE BEST. AND DON'T WORRY—
—THIS IS ONE SECRET I'M HAPPY TO KEEP UNDER WRAPS!
THE END.

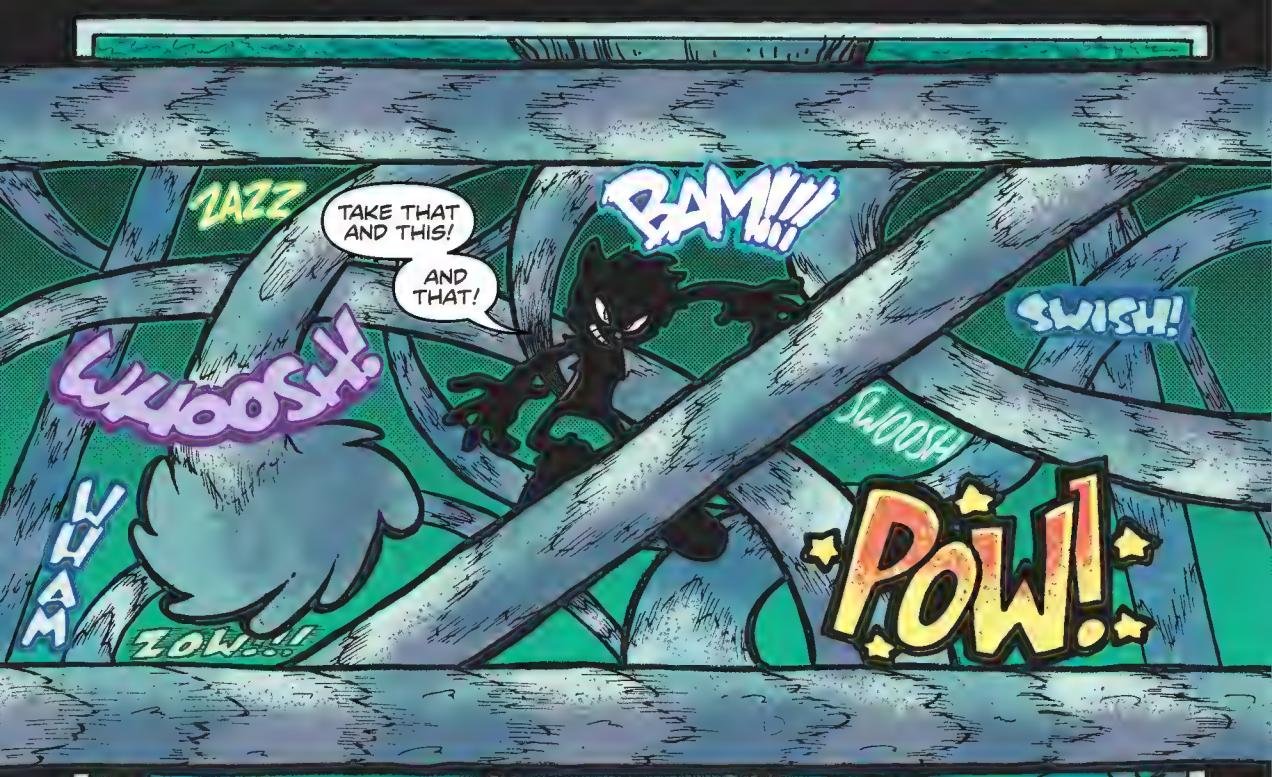
SONIC FAN CLUB!
STORY BY JAMES KOCHALKA
ART BY JONATHAN H. GRAY + REGGIE GRAHAM
MAY THE FIRST MEETING OF THE SONIC FAN CLUB PLEASE COME TO ORDER.
BANG! BANG! BANG!
HEY! HOW COME YOU GET TO BANG THE GAVEL? I WANT TO DO IT.
I GET TO BANG THE GAVEL BECAUSE I'M THE CLUB PRESIDENT.
THAT'S NOT FAIR.
I SHOULD BE CLUB PRESIDENT. I CAN RUN REALLY FAST JUST LIKE SONIC CAN.
NO WAY. THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE.

WELL, I'M FASTER THAN YOU AT LEAST.
SAYS WHO?
SAYS ME!
WAIT, GUYS! THIS IS A GREAT IDEA!
HUH?
IT IS?
LET'S HAVE A CONTEST!
WHOEVER IS MOST LIKE SONIC GETS TO BE CLUB PRESIDENT!
ALRIGHT...
GO!
HEY!!!
ZOOM!
I'M FASTEST! I'M FASTEST!
YOU CHEATED ON YOUR HEAD START!
SONIC DOESN'T CHEAT.
AND WE'RE CATCHING UP!

BUT I'M STILL FASTEST!
ESPECIALLY DOWNHILL!
OH YEAH?
WELL SPEED ISN'T SONIC'S ONLY TRICK!
HE ALSO HAS—
BOMP!
BALL FORM!
!?
BOMP!
I HAVE BALL FORM TOO!
ME TOO!
CRASH!


HA! HA! HA! HA! HA! HA! HA! HA! HA! HA! HA! HA!
THAT WAS FUN!
WELL... SPEED AND BALL FORM AREN'T SONIC'S ONLY THINGS.
HE'S ALSO BRAVE!
?
AND I'LL PROVE THAT I'M THE BRAVEST BY FIGHTING THAT BADNIK!
=GASP=
BEEP.
BEEP.
BEEP!
BEEP! BEEP! BEEP!
eep.
COME ON, GUYS! LET'S HELP HIM!
SMASH!

HEY GUYS! WHAT'S GOING ON?
OH, HI TANGLE!
THIS IS THE FIRST OFFICIAL MEETING OF THE SONIC FAN CLUB!
BONK! BONK! BONK! BONK!
SLAM
GNAW GNAW GNAW
STOMP!
TROMP!
SONIC FAN CLUB?! YOU GUYS SHOULD HAVE A TANGLE FAN CLUB INSTEAD!
WATCH WHAT I CAN DO!
ZONK
WHOOSH!


ZAZZ
TAKE THAT AND THIS!
AND THAT!
BAM!!!
SWISH!
SWOOSH
SWOOSH!
WHA
ZOW!!!
POW!

NO, WAIT. MAYBE NOT LIKE THAT.
HEY, WHAT HAPPENED?
WHILE YOU WERE TYING YOURSELF IN KNOTS, SONIC ZOOMED OVER AND SMASHED THE BUTTNICK AND SAVED US ALL!
HE WAS AMAZING!
BYE, SONIC!
POKE!

* the end *

SONIC LETTERS SQUAD

What's up, Squad? Hope you enjoyed our first *Sonic the Hedgehog Annual!* This was a great way to tell some silly and touching stories we just didn't have time for in the main series—and to let some of the many great comic creators who want to work on Sonic have a chance to contribute! I can't wait for the next one… too bad it's another year away! While we wait, let's check out some of your wonderful art and letters!

Dear IDW Sonic comic team,

Hello! My name is Madeline, and I am one of the biggest Sonic fangirls! I am almost 18, and *Team Sonic Racing* happens to be releasing on my 18th birthday. I love issue #13, it is now one of my favorites of the comic so far. Words cannot describe how much I adore Sonic and Tails, and this issue and this whole series really shows their bond. They are true brothers, and they are my favorite duo of all time. Thank you to everyone on the comic team for doing an amazing job on this series. The art is beautiful, and all of the characterizations are just perfect! I can't wait to see more heartwarming brotherly moments between Sonic and Tails as the comic continues on. I'd like to share my drawing of them here. I'll always love and support Sonic, my favorite character and series of all time.

Your forever fan,
Madeline Morales

Hi Madeline,

So glad you love the series and happy early birthday! We love Sonic and Tails too, and hope that Caleb, Jack, and Leonardo delivered you the brotherly teamwork you're looking for in their story in this issue! Hard to think of a more iconic duo—particularly in comics—than these two, huh?

Hi Sonic fans!
I've been a Sonic fan since 2017. I like the comics and hope to see one of my drawings in the comics. Some of my favorite Sonic games are the classics, especially *Sonic Mania*! So I made a fan art, which has both modern and classic Sonics in the picture. I also made it in the style of Mania. I hope you like the work I did!

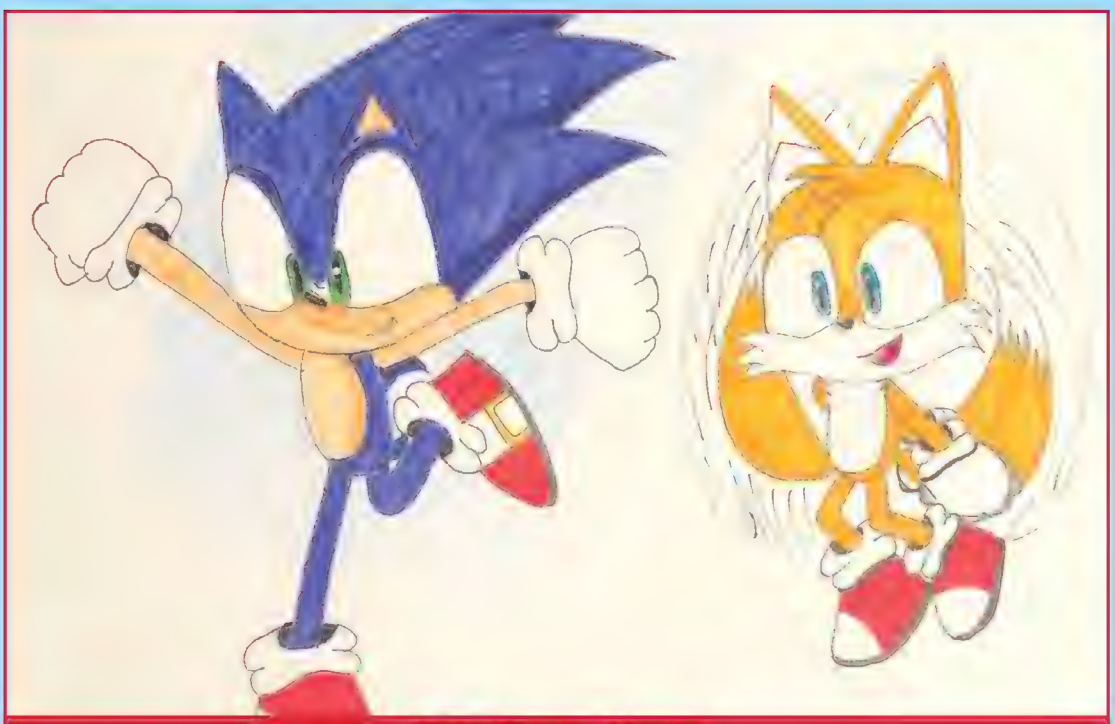
Alex K.

Hi Alex,

Sonic Mania may be one of the most recent games, but it sure is a classic! That's a really fun piece of the two Sonics teaming up! Usually when we see the two of them together, it's in a Modern Sonic title, so it's a super cool idea to have them both in a Classic game! And it seems like you aren't the only Classic Sonic fan this issue…

Hello IDW,

I'm Thomas Moore, an 11-year-old and I'm a gigantic fan of your work on Sonic. I love to create Sonic artwork all the time and it would be amazing to have other fans see



Art by Madeline Morales

my art too! It would be so cool if we could see Mighty the Armadillo and Classic Sonic make appearances. Really liking the new comic series, keep up the great work!

Up, over and out,
Thomas

Hi Thomas,

Thanks so much for the kind words! We think other fans will enjoy seeing your art too! Unfortunately, we won't be seeing Mighty, Classic Sonic, or any of the other classic characters in this series—they're a separate story! But if folks like you keep telling us they want Classic stories, maybe one day we'll figure out a way to do them!

Sonic had 10 chili dogs, but has eaten 3. How many chili dogs does he have left?

Hi, everyone, I'm a teacher and a huge fan of Sonic! Sonic was a big part of my childhood so I'm glad to be able to talk about him with the upcoming generations. You all are doing a fantastic job with this comic and I am very thrilled to be able to share it with emerging readers. I'm hoping I can use these to help create a love of reading and maybe a few comic fans as well.

Keep up the stellar work,
Miss Sam

Hi Miss Sam,

7! Sonic has 7 chili dogs left! Yeah… we can do math! It's always wonderful to hear from teachers like yourself and extra great that you can really share Sonic with your students on a personal level. We made this issue a little extra educational—there're facts about gardening and planes if you look for 'em—just for you. And for all of your students and all the emerging readers reading this (even with help) right now, you're doing a great job! Keep at it!

Art by Alex K

That's all for this time! Don't forget to send your art and letters to letters@idwpublishing.com, and make sure to mark them: "OKAY TO PRINT!" And join the IDW Sonic Comics Squad on Facebook! We'll see you in a year! Or… in a month when the next regular issue's out…

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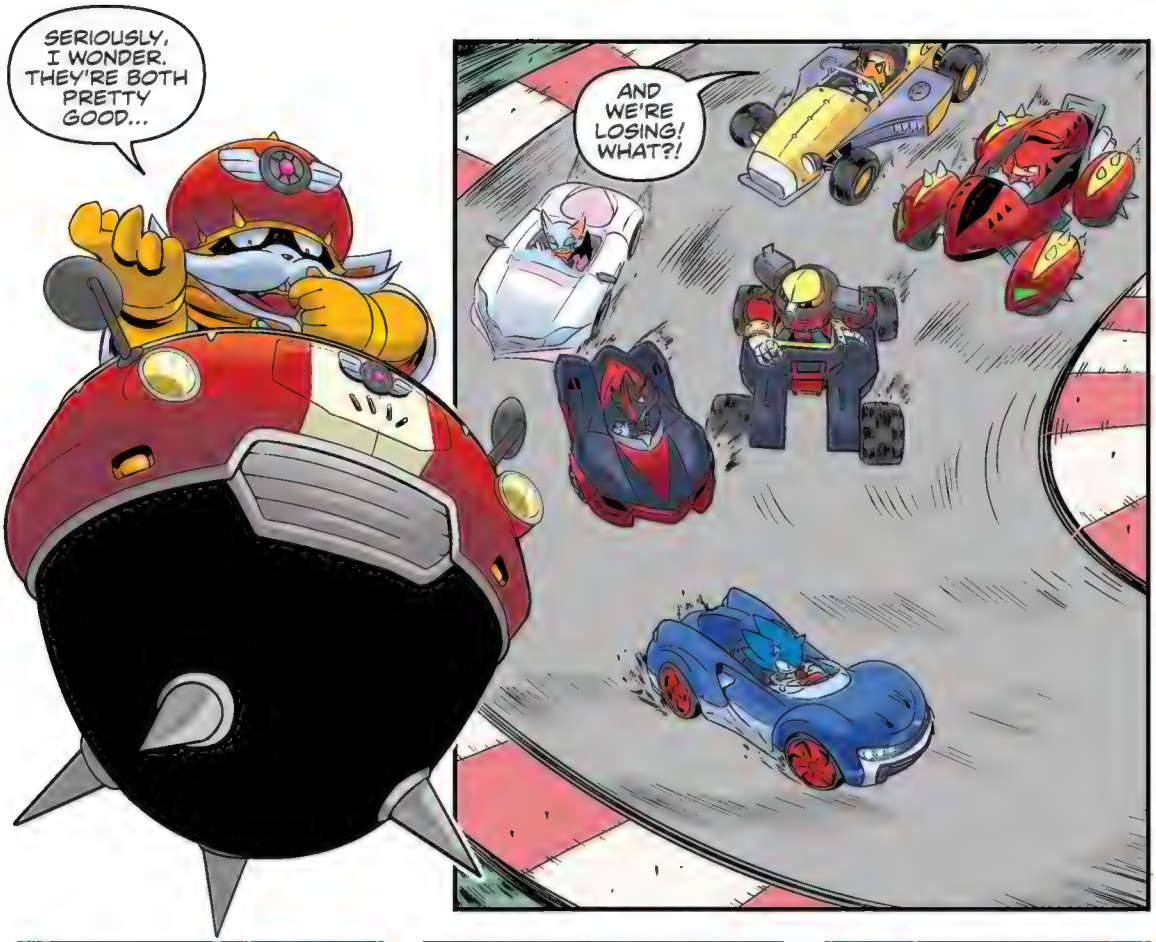
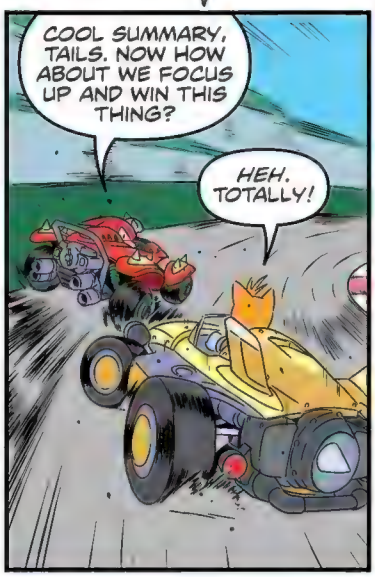
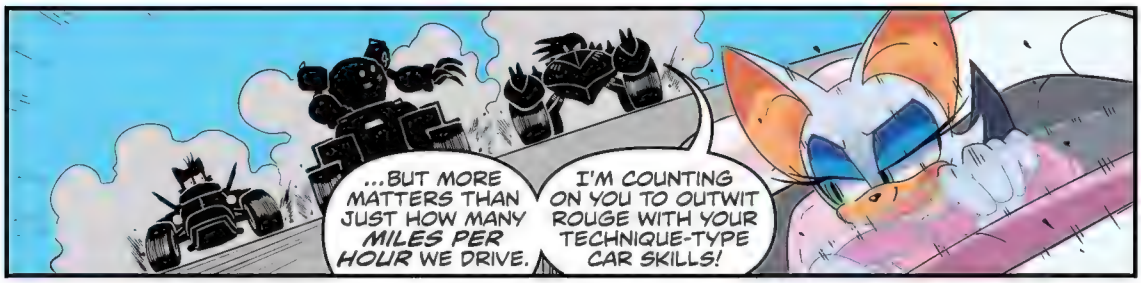
HERE WE ARE—TEAM SONIC—ON PLANET WISP.
DRIVING CARS FAST ENOUGH TO ENTERTAIN EVEN SONIC, ON CRAZY TRACKS STOCKED WITH WISP POWER-UPS.
ALL FOR AN ECCENTRIC MYSTERY MAN, DODON PA. NO ONE KNOWS WHERE HE COMES FROM OR WHY HE HOSTS RACES.
BLUE HEDGEHOG OR BLACK HEDGEHOG? WHO WILL SURVIVE? HOHOHOHO.


SERIOUSLY, I WONDER. THEY'RE BOTH PRETTY GOOD...
AND WE'RE LOSING! WHAT?!

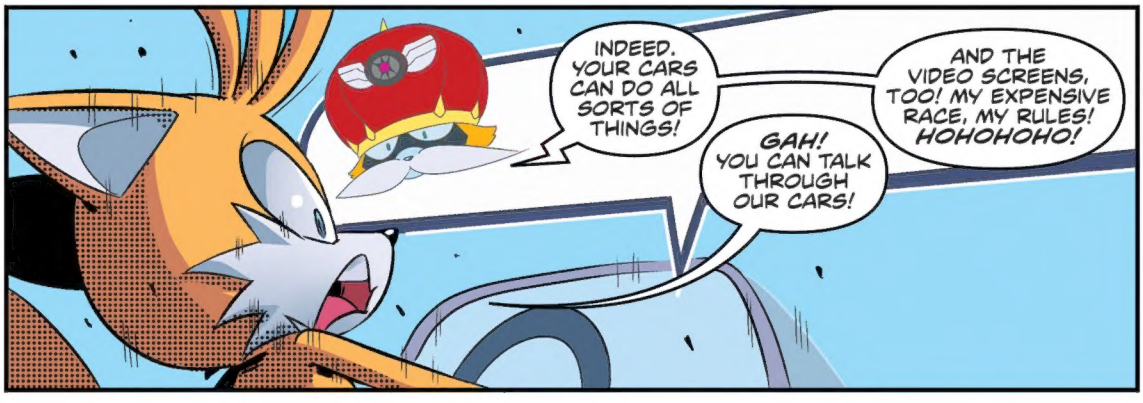

COOL SUMMARY, TAILS. NOW HOW ABOUT WE FOCUS UP AND WIN THIS THING?
HEH. TOTALLY!

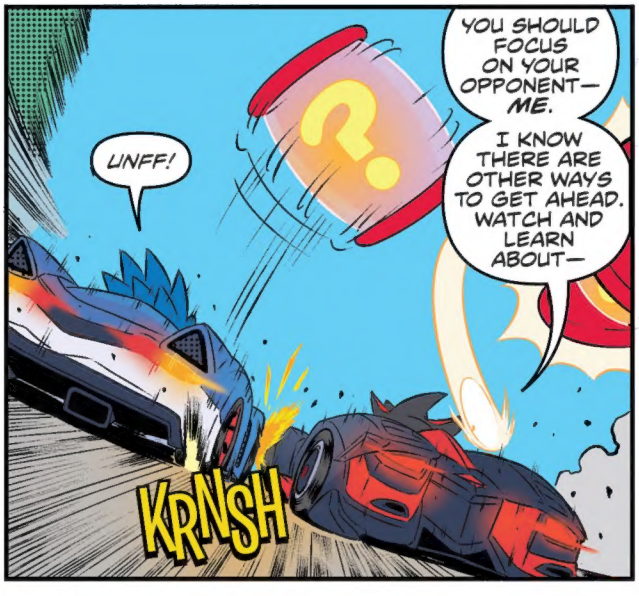
SONIC AND SHADOW ARE OFF IN THEIR OWN LITTLE WORLD IN THEIR SPEED-TYPE CARS, BUT WE'VE GOTTA MAKE SURE TO WIN, TOO.
RIGHT! WE'VE GOT THE TEAM SCORE TO THINK ABOUT.

BRING-THE-PAIN PROTOCOLS INITIATED.
HNGH! I CAN HANDLE OMEGA IN MY POWER-TYPE RACER...


...BUT MORE MATTERS THAN JUST HOW MANY MILES PER HOUR WE DRIVE.
I'M COUNTING ON YOU TO OUTWIT ROUGE WITH YOUR TECHNIQUE-TYPE CAR SKILLS!

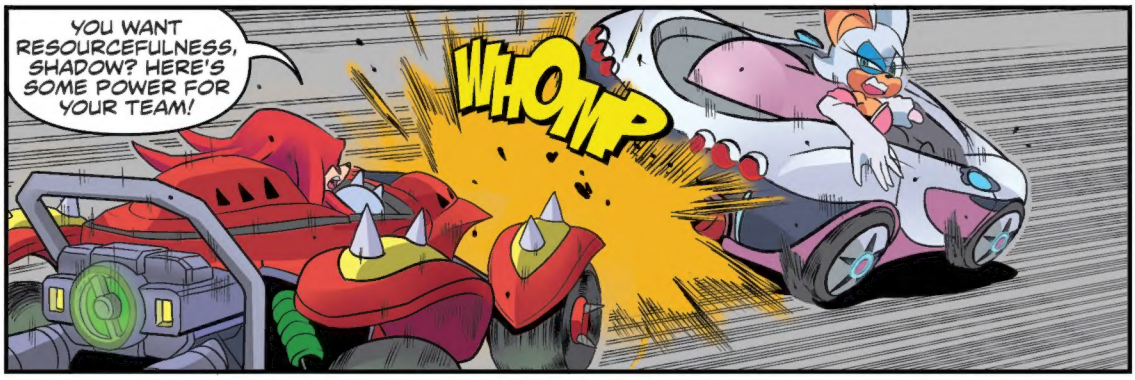
ROGER. I'VE NOTICED EVERYONE'S CAR HAS A UNIQUE SLIPSTREAM.
I THINK THAT'S THE KEY TO USING KINETIC CONTACT TO OUR ADVANTAGE!
SOMETIMES I FEEL LIKE WE SHOULD CALL YOU "BRAINS" INSTEAD OF "TAILS."

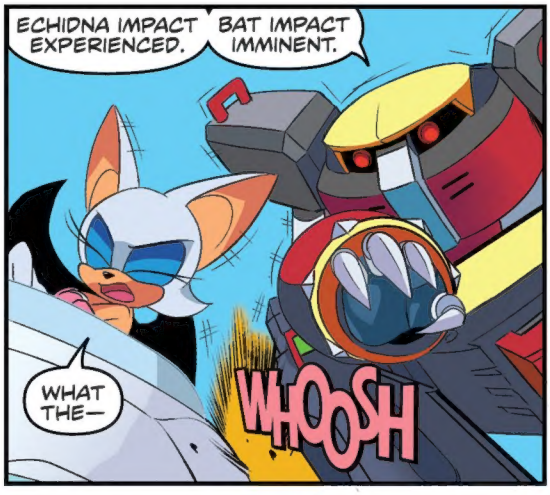

INDEED. YOUR CARS CAN DO ALL SORTS OF THINGS!
AND THE VIDEO SCREENS, TOO! MY EXPENSIVE RACE, MY RULES! HOHOHOHO!
GAH! YOU CAN TALK THROUGH OUR CARS!


YOU SHOULD FOCUS ON YOUR OPPONENT— ME.
I KNOW THERE ARE OTHER WAYS TO GET AHEAD. WATCH AND LEARN ABOUT—
UNFF!
KRNSH

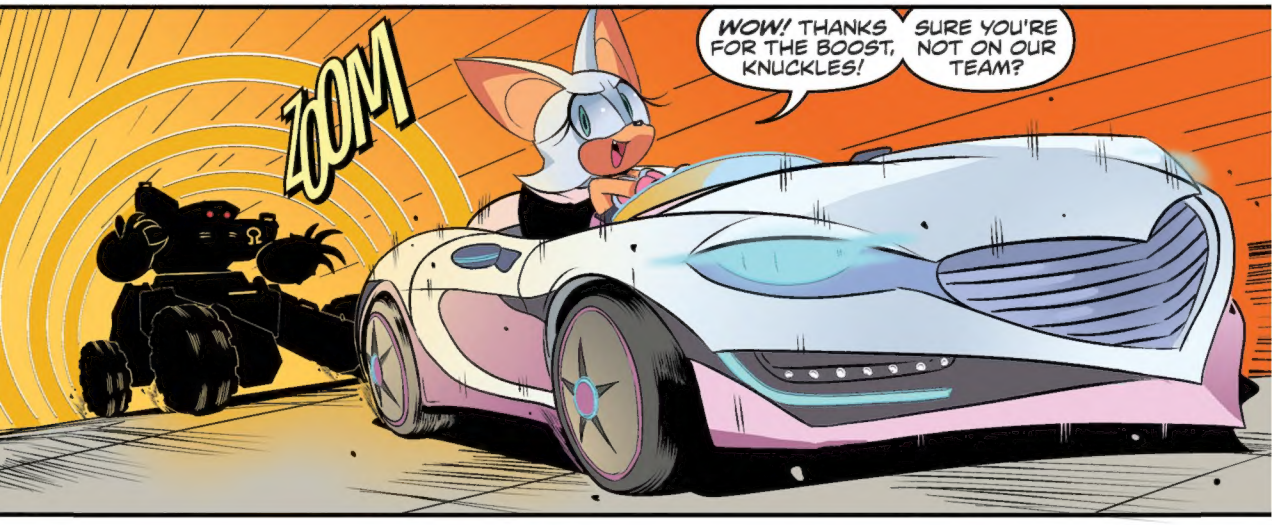
—RESOURCEFULNESS.

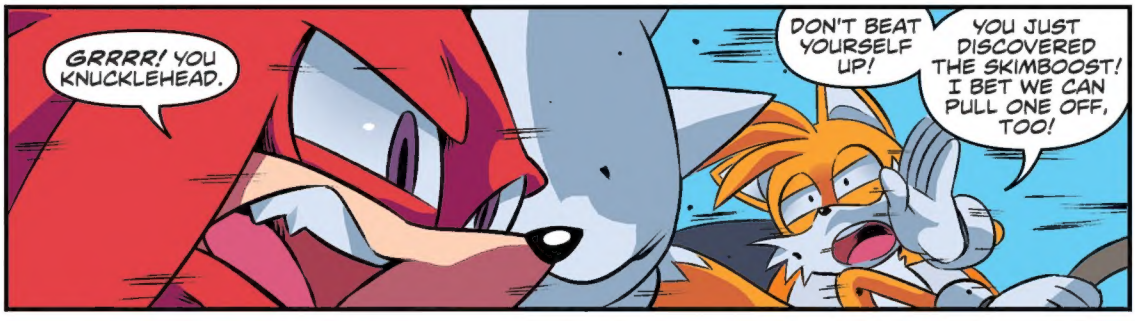
KA-SPLODE
NOT COOL, WISPS!
I THOUGHT WE WERE POWER-UP PALS!


YOU WANT RESOURCEFULNESS, SHADOW? HERE'S SOME POWER FOR YOUR TEAM!
WHOMP


ECHIDNA IMPACT EXPERIENCED.
BAT IMPACT IMMINENT.
WHAT THE—
WHOOSH

BOOST DETECTED.
WHOOSH


ZOOM
WOW! THANKS FOR THE BOOST, KNUCKLES!
SURE YOU'RE NOT ON OUR TEAM?


GRRRR! YOU KNUCKLEHEAD.
DON'T BEAT YOURSELF UP!
YOU JUST DISCOVERED THE SKIMBOOST! I BET WE CAN PULL ONE OFF, TOO!

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